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#### UNCLASSIFIED ABSTRACT

This study has developed a test program plan for demonstrating the in-place hardness of an advanced ballistic missile weapon system. A test requirements analysis methodology was devised, utilizing a systems approach, to examine a WS-120A system baseline design with respect to a given weapons effects environment criteria, define the testing required to assure hardness of each system element, trade off applicable simulation techniques, and recommend a series of test concepts. These concepts were then logically combined into efficient and cost-effective in-place hardness demonstration test programs for the launch facility and launch control facility.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Methodology Volume of the test planning for the In-Place Hardness Demonstration Technical Report is to describe the procedures used and the judgments made during the course of the study in the development of a test program plan. The procedures contained herein will enable the reader to follow and understand the pattern of evaluations made and the considerations used in evolving each individual test in the total spectrum of recommended testing.

#### 1.2 SCOPE

The methodology described in this volume was developed during the test planning for the In-Place Hardness Demonstration Study and was used with a proposed WS-120A system design baseline and weapons effects environment criteria. The methodology was developed to be insensitive to changes in the baseline design and the weapons effects environment criteria so that normal program changes could be introduced without loss of continuity or effectiveness of the overall test requirements analysis. Although the methodology was developed for in-place hardness testing, it could be used effectively for airborne hardness test planning, and, with some modifications, it would be a valuable tool for use in the preparation of system development test program plans for any type of complex system. The methodology described herein, implemented, becomes the test requirements analysis.

# 1.3 IN-PLACE HARDNESS DEMONSTRATION TEST PLANNING PHILOSOPHY

The philosophy applied to this test planning study includes the following basic elements:

- a) Plan to test throughout the weapon system development cycle, but with emphasis on the early stages, so that hardness is assured prior to system deployment
- b) Utilize a systems approach to examine the total weapon system in the overall weapons effects environment
- c) Plan to conduct many relatively simple tests and supplement them with a few complex (and costly) ones

d) Plan a series of interrelated tests in which the cumulative results will build confidence in hardness as the series progresses until completion, at which time confidence in hardness is as high as it can be without the benefit of atmospheric nuclear tests.

In-place hardness demonstration tests are considered to be those tests that confirm or provide data that increases confidence in the hardness of the system element tested. These tests will normally utilize prototype systems as test articles. However, in some cases it may be necessary to require testing that is more in the nature of development testing (using subscale models, engineering models, etc.). Development testing will be called for only in the event that it is a necessary prerequisite to a subsequent demonstration test.

The in-place hardness of a system can be demonstrated to some degree at every stage of the system development cycle. With careful and early planning, a spectrum of testing can be identified that will assure hardness of certain elements very early in the development stage, thus providing a strong data base upon which to design (or redesign, if necessary) interacting system elements. Examination of the total system piece by piece will allow the identification of system elements that lend themselves to early testing. It will also identify those systems that are more complex and, thus, would more logically be tested later in the development program. The hardness demonstration tests can follow much the same pattern as system development tests; that is, to evaluate the system elements in their simplest form first; then, as the components are combined, more complex testing is conducted. This method provides a test data base that accumulates as each test is conducted until hardness is assured. It also provides an inherent insensitivity to design changes in that the redesigned components or subsystems may be re-evaluated with simple tests rather than requiring retesting of a large complex system to assure hardness.

The basic philosophy discussed here is reflected in Figure 1-1 and in the detailed methodology discussions presented in the following sections. It must be emphasized that the Hardness Demonstration Test Program as depicted in Figure 1-1 is the summation of sequential tests on subsystems up to the complete facility, and no one test demonstrates hardness completely.

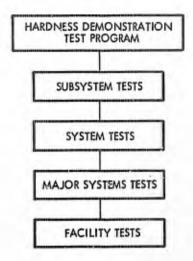


Figure 1-1. Summation of Sequential Tests

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## 2. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The first task to be accomplished in the test requirements analysis is the definition and description of the system under study. It is important that the system be described in a manner that is simple, clear, and concise, since all subsequent tasks will be accomplished with reference to the system elements defined here.

# 2.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SYSTEM BASELINE CONFIGURATION

The baseline configuration of the system that is presented as a study input may lack the detail required to conduct a successful test requirements analysis. Therefore, assumptions based on past experience with similarly configured weapons systems must be made to supplement the given baseline data. These assumptions are usually made to identify the subsystems or components of a given system.

The system description must also identify just those system elements that are meaningful or critical to the hardness and vulnerability problem. These elements will either be the missile and launch essential equipments that are sensitive to an attenuated weapons effects environment, or the elements that are functional in protecting the sensitive system elements from the free field weapons effects environment.

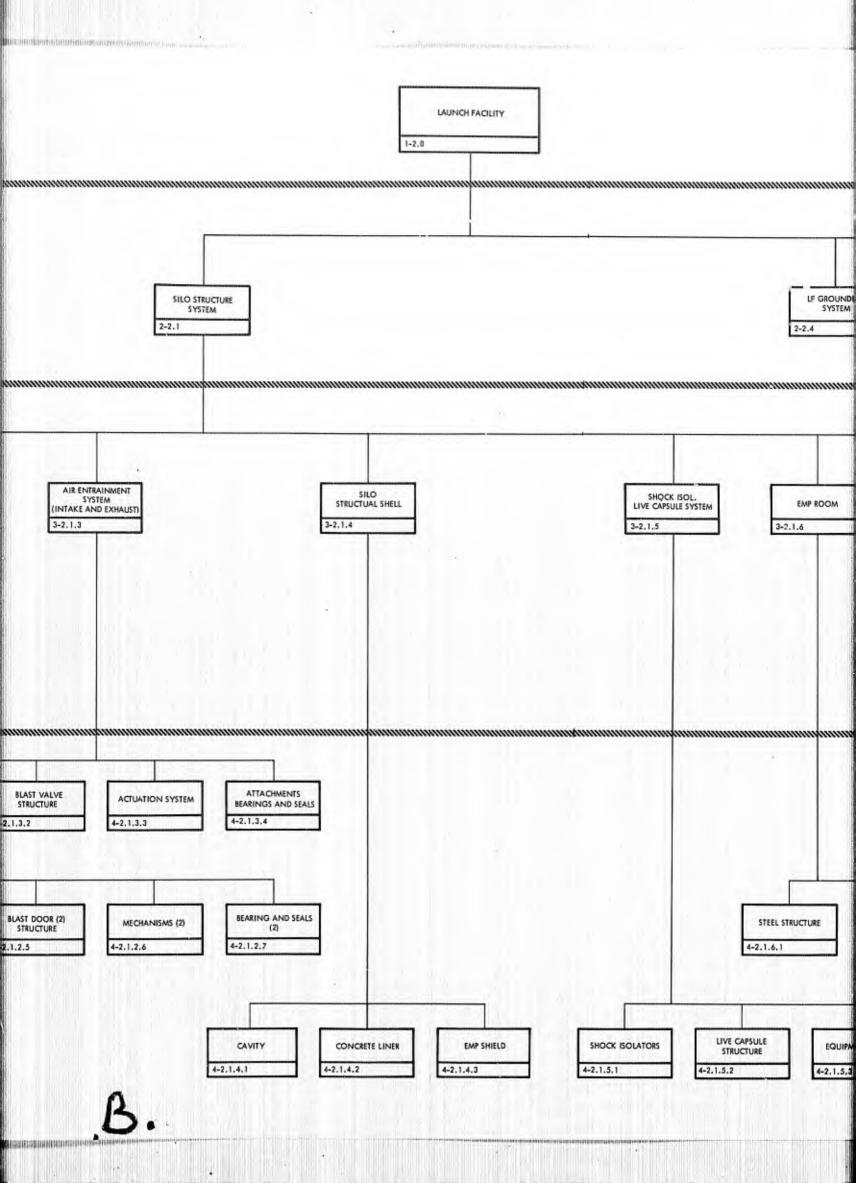
# 2.2 SYSTEM LEVEL ORIENTATION

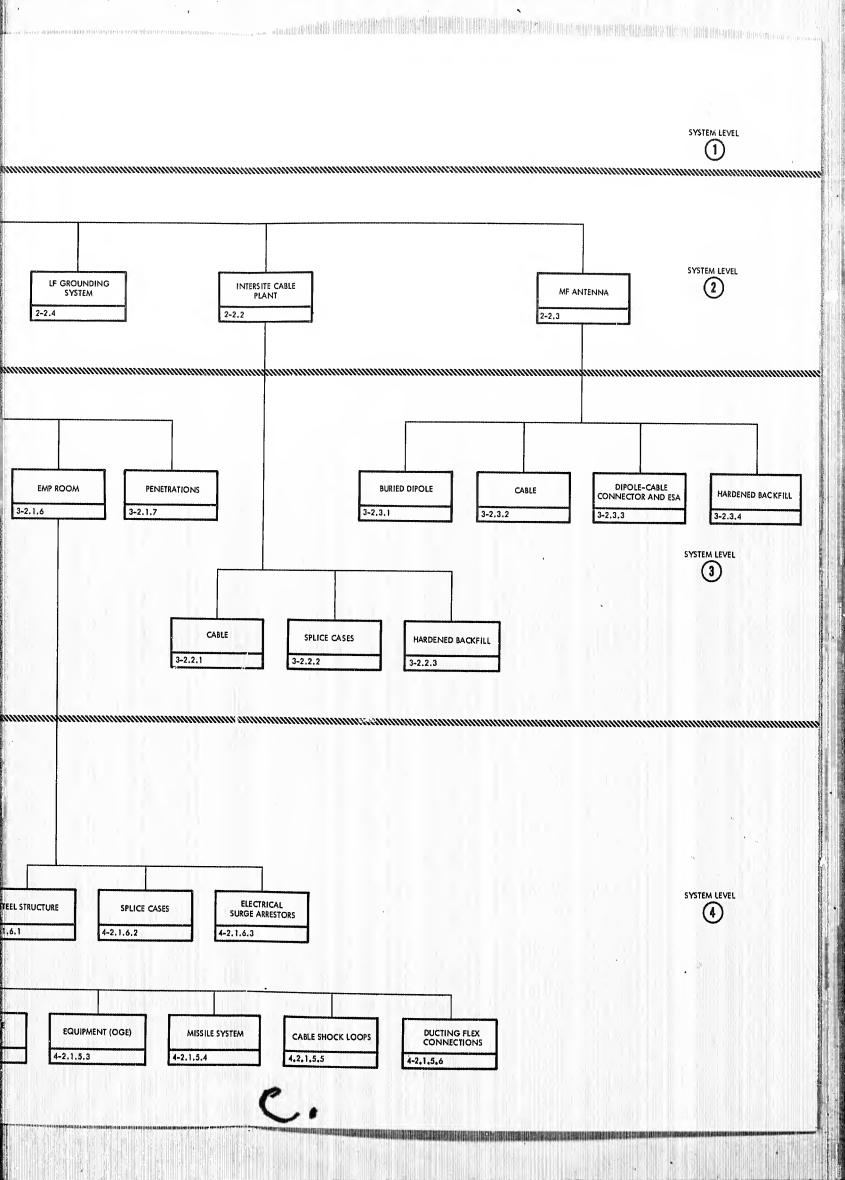
In order to permit a complete examination of all elements of the weapon system, a breakdown of the system must be made. The approach taken in this study was to identify the most complex system (a complete facility) as System Level 1 (see Figure 2-1); system elements of lesser complexity that comprise the complete system are System Level 2; subsystems relating to these system elements are System Level 3; and, for purposes of this study, the least complex system elements or components are identified as System Level 4. The system elements are identified in blocks (in Figure 2-1) by name and number. Consistency in numbering the blocks is important since they become the basic referencing tool throughout the study.

Figure 2-1 represents a typical breakdown and identification of a system configuration. The numbering consistency is evident in that the

first number in each block represents the system level number, while numbers following the hyphen represent the system, subsystem, or component.

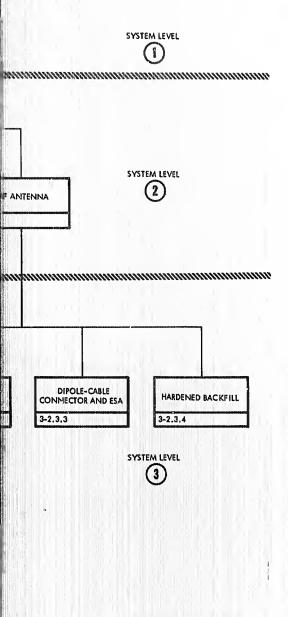
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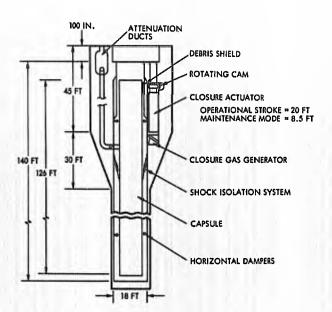




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Figure 2-1.

## 3. WEAPONS EFFECTS ENVIRONMENT CRITICAL PATH

Once the system has been defined in terms of critical system elements, the weapons effects environments to which each of the system elements will be exposed must be identified. The method used here is simply to depict graphically the route or critical path that each weapons effect (air blast, nuclear radiation, EMP, etc.) will follow as it impinges and/or penetrates the protective elements of the system to the sensitive internal systems (see Figure 3-1).

## 3.1 SYSTEM ELEMENT REORIENTATION

The first task is the orientation of the system element blocks identified in the system configuration (Figure 2-1) in a manner that reflects the facility physical geometry with respect to the order in which the elements experience the weapons effects. The elements exposed to the free field environment appear at the top of the chart, with the other elements arranged under them in order of depth and protection. The most sensitive systems (the missile and launch essential OGE) are shown at the bottom of the chart.

## 3.2 WEAPONS EFFECTS ENVIRONMENT APPLICATION

Each weapons effects environment is applied individually to the chart, with the weapons effect criteria level environment (free field environment) represented by a solid line. The solid line begins at the System Level 1 block, continuing through the applicable System Level 2 and 3 blocks, to the System Level 4 block. The path that the weapons effects take through the blocks is called the critical path. As the environment encounters a system element that is functional in protecting against that environment, attenuation of the effect occurs. represented by a dashed line coming from the functional system element. Should the system element attenuate the environment to the allowable internal level, it is represented by a dotted line. Interaction of subsystem elements can also be represented by a cross-hatched line. The process of drawing the critical path through the system requires a knowledge of the system and the protective or functional capabilities of each of the system elements, as well as a familiarity with each of the weapons effects environments and their characteristics.

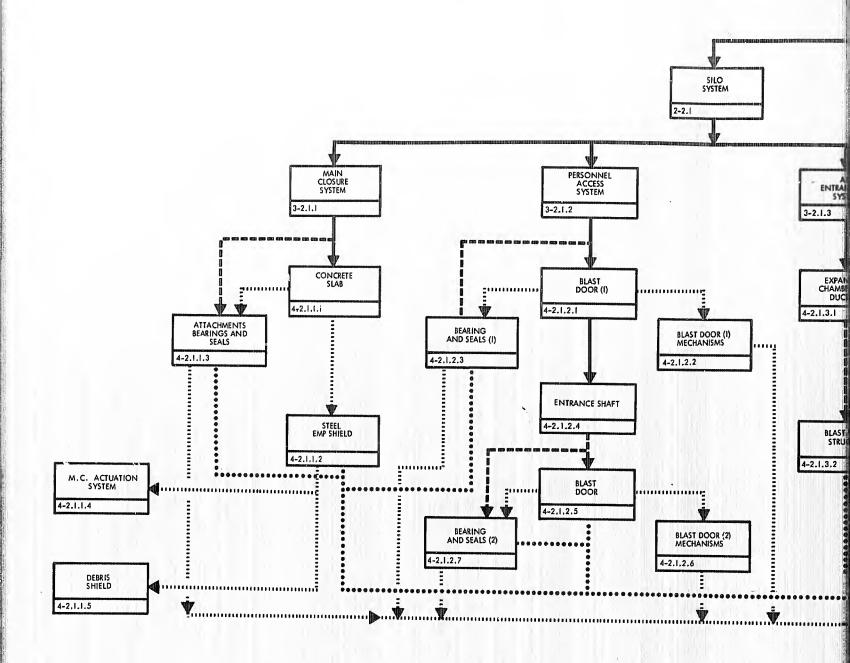
## 3. 3 WEAPONS EFFECTS INPUT MAGNITUDE

The weapons effects input level can be represented graphically with solid or dotted lines in most cases. However, at some points in the critical path it is desirable to note the attenuated input magnitude for use in the later stages of the test requirements analysis to determine applicability of a simulation technique. These values need not be computed to a great degree of accuracy but must only give a good indication of the type and magnitude of the weapons effects at the point desired.

The input levels may also be represented as

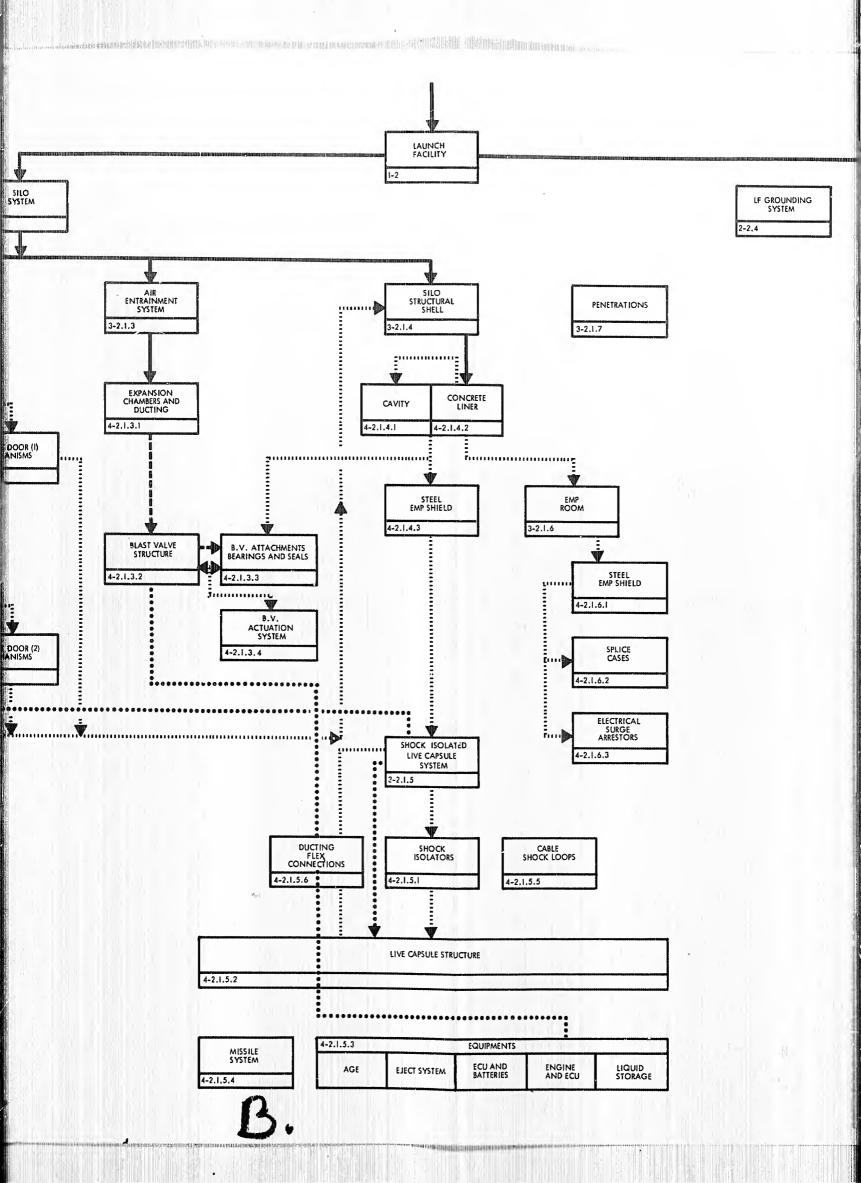
- Level 1: Weapons effects criteria level (the free field magnitudes defined by criteria)
- Level 2: Attenuated (the free field magnitudes attenuated due to the reaction of an intermediate facility system)
- Level 3: Internal allowable (allowable magnitudes for launch equipments or components).

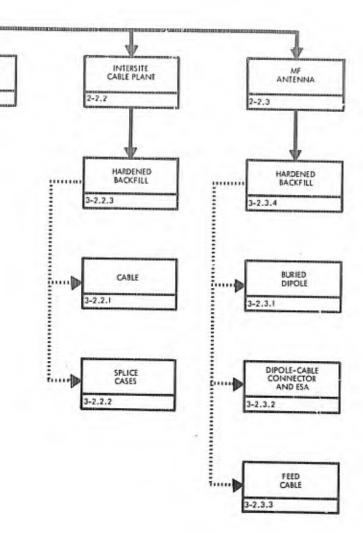
The input level and type will be summarized for each system element at the point in the test requirements analysis when each element is examined with respect to the environment it encounters. This occurs during the recommendation to test evaluation process (see Section 4).



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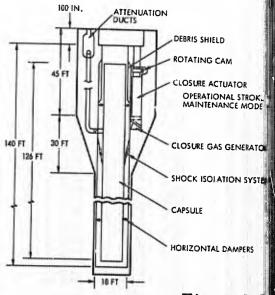
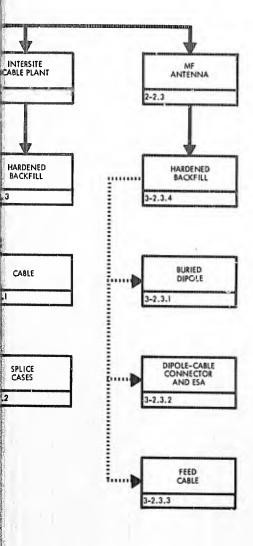


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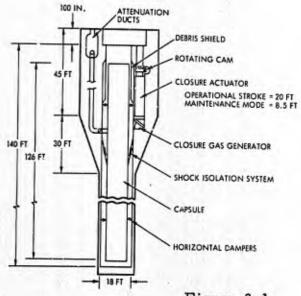


Figure 3-1.

## 4. RECOMMENDATION TO TEST

The recommendation to test evaluation is performed for each major component in the system which is exposed to one or more of the weapons effects environments. Test requirements, methods, and simulation techniques are not considered in this initial evaluation. The basic question to be answered at this point is the following:

Is a test necessary and beneficial to demonstrate hardness of the component in its final installed condition?

Some general knowledge about the systems and subsystems and input loading is needed to answer this question. The more we know about the characteristics of the system for the specified inputs enables us to make a good judgment for the need to test. The following subsections describe the systematic method used for this evaluation.

# 4.1 SUBSYSTEM AND SYSTEM COMBINATION OF THE VARIOUS LEVELS

In Section 2 the facility is described as a group of systems and subsystems which are the major parts of the hardened operational facility. In general, each system or subsystem has an important function for the load path of one or more of the weapons effects critical environments. The particular launch facility (LF) and launch control facility (LCF) used for the preparation of the hardness demonstration test evaluation in this study were defined to four subsystem levels as described in Section 2.

The consideration for testing is started at the smallest subsystem level and combinations thereof which are parts of a major system. This is illustrated in Figure 4-1.

A closure system (Level 3) has five major parts (Level 4 subsystems), as noted by the blocks in the column on the left margin of the figure. Each of these blocks (components) is considered for testing. Subsystems which have strong physical interaction or reaction are combined as shown in Figure 4-1 and are also considered for testing. It is obvious at this point that a system configuration concept is conceived, and components must be assumed to mate in a specific manner.

#### MAIN CLOSURE SUBSYSTEMS

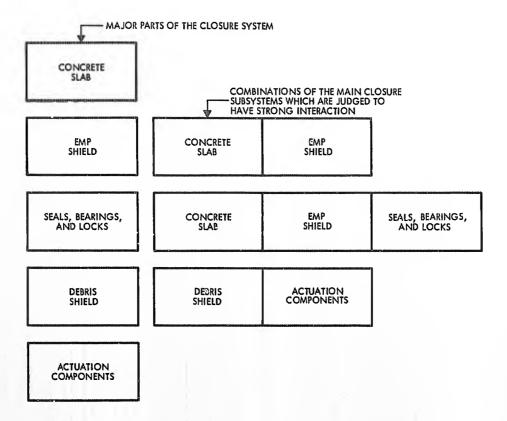


Figure 4-1. Subsystem Combinations

There may be cases where a Level 4 component from one system may have strong interaction with a component from another system.

These conditions are also considered for testing as demonstrated in the recommendation for test evaluation in Volume III.

The procedure continues at the higher levels after all the lower subsystems have been considered. Each higher level system is evaluated separately and in combination with other systems with strong interaction. This is illustrated in Figure 4-2.

After all systems are evaluated at the above intermediate levels, the main systems and total system are considered for testing. For the systems shown in Figure 4-3, there is only weak interaction between main systems so that combinations are not considered other than the complete facility. However, the LCF facility does have major systems with varying degrees of interaction at this level, and combinations are considered for testing. Major systems with weak interaction (such as the LF structure) demonstrate a more compact design concept which may have an inherent advantage in demonstrating hardness.

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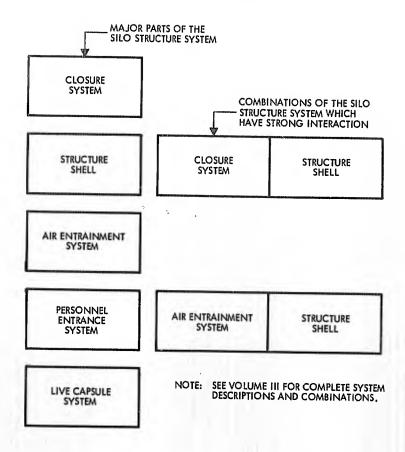


Figure 4-2. S em Combinations

### LF MAIN SYSTEMS

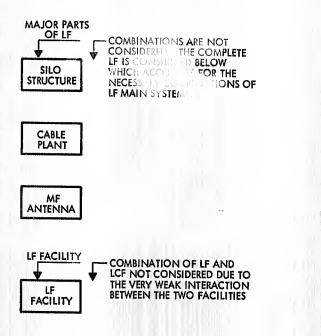


Figure 4-3. Major System Combinations

### 4.2 INPUT CONDITIONS

The input loads due to weapons effects are distinguished as seven separate effects which are defined in the so-called free field as critical for design. The free field refers to the free air environment above the structure location or in the ground medium adjacent to the structure. Section 3 describes the load path and approximate peak magnitudes through each of the critical systems. The range of the input load magnitudes is considered at this stage of the evaluation only in an approximate manner to support the judgment for consideration of testing.

Three input levels are defined:

- Level 1: Free field magnitudes defined by criteria
- Level 2: Free field magnitude attenuated due to the reaction of an intermediate facility system
- Level 3: Allowable magnitudes for launch equipments or components.

When a test is required only to support analysis or to verify reaction loads, this is so indicated in the evaluation. Simultaneity of effects is not considered at this phase of the evaluation.

#### 4. 3 CONSIDERATIONS LEADING TO RECOMMENDATION TO TEST

For each system and subsystem a recommendation to test is made if there is a positive (yes) answer to a group of considerations. If a negative (no) answer is made for any one consideration, then a test at that system or subsystem level is <u>not</u> recommended. The four considerations are explained in the following paragraphs.

## 4.3.1 Negligible Interaction Effects

A subsystem or system may have a strong or weak interaction with other subsystems for a particular load environment which normally dictates the significance of interaction effects. If a system response is dependent upon the composite connection with other systems, then significant interaction exists, and a test at this system level is not beneficial for hardness demonstration. There will be cases where subsystems have strong interaction links, but the load across the link can be estimated by analysis or test. In this case, a meaningful test can be performed where the load input point is the attachment point to other subsystems.

Consequently, negligible interaction generally exists when the system can be modeled to a noncomposite system with other systems.

## 4.3.2 Low Confidence in Analysis

There are three basic factors in analyses which may lead to a low confidence in analysis.

- 1) The mathematical model is very complex, and there is very little experience with the model. When a complex inelastic continuous system is modeled by a mathematical discrete elastic, viscoelastic, or elastic plastic system, the adequacy of the model must be verified by test.
- 2) Theoretical characteristics of materials in the installed configuration are indeterminate. Material behavior characteristics are very indeterminate for the postulated load magnitudes (e.g., high pressure, high thermal and nuclear radiation). Also, laboratory test reported data will in general be nonapplicable for the installed conditions.
- 3) Large probable errors in response analysis due to approximations or numerical techniques to obtain the solution.

  Most complex analyses require numerical techniques for solution. Solution errors exist, and, depending on the complexity of the problem, the solution error may or may not be significant.

A low confidence in analysis may be due to one or more of the above considerations and is so indicated in the evaluation. A high confidence in analysis exists for systems where conventional analytical techniques have been shown to correlate with test results either in basic laboratory experiments or during analyses and tests of prior weapons system components (i. e., Minuteman, Titan, and Atlas).

## 4.3.3 Test Cannot be Performed at Lower Subsystem Level

The test program as described herein is initiated at the lowest subsystem level. In some cases a test of a subsystem for the specified environment will qualify the complete system hardness. In other words, part of the system is nonresponsive or noneffective for the specified loading. Therefore, testing would not be recommended if the system could be qualified by testing a subsystem (i. e., a lower level subsystem). Testing is recommended when the system consisting of a combination of subsystems gives a new or additional responsive phenomenon which can only be determined by testing at the particular level in question.

# 4. 3. 4 Test Will Increase Confidence in Hardness

A final factor which is considered in the recommendation to test is the degree to which a test will increase confidence in hardness. The response of the system must be meaningful and capable of interpretation for hardness assessment. If not, a system test would not increase confidence in hardness, and consequently a test would not be recommended.

## 4.4 PROCEDURES

The foregoing considerations (Subsections 4.1 through 4.3) are summarized in matrix form for a simplified evaluation. Figure 4-4 shows the format and notes the judgment required under each column. An example is given at the bottom.

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Figure 4-4. Recommendation to Test Form

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## 5. TEST CONCEPT TRADEOFF MATRIX

In Sections 2 through 4 the facility is described as systems and subsystems exposed to the various weapons effects environment. Each subsystem and system up to the complete facility is examined for the need to test to demonstrate hardness. For each system that must be tested we now wish to establish test requirements, select combinations of test methods which will to some degree satisfy all the requirements, rate the relative validity and cost of simulation test techniques that satisfy the selected test methods, and finally arrive at a recommended test concept. The procedure for this tradeoff analysis is described in the following paragraphs.

## 5.1 TEST REQUIREMENTS

Test requirements are prepared for the complete group of systems starting at the lowest level (System Level 4) subsystem. At the lowest level the requirements will usually be basic, such as: determine response characteristics to verify the design analyses, determine failure mode and load which produces failure, or determine material or component characteristics so that complete hardness verification can be performed by analysis. As subsystems are combined, the system test requirements are now concerned with performance characteristics after the simulated weapons effects environment input relative to the preload performance characteristics. Finally, test requirements for groups of systems and the complete facility are written to determine operating integrity of launch-essential components and equipments during and after the critical load conditions.

Only preliminary general requirements can be established prior to the design phase. Prior experience on the Atlas, Titan, and Minuteman weapons systems provides valuable design, analytical, and test data which can be the basis for test requirements for the new system. In the preparation of test requirements for the LF and LCF facilities for this study, the TRW prior experience on the above-noted weapons systems was a major contributing influence.

#### 5.2 TEST METHODS

Test methods are selected which satisfy one or more of the test requirements specified for a particular system. The number of test methods must be sufficient to satisfy all the requirements. In general, a number of test methods will be considered in various combinations so that a test concept can be selected on a quantitative basis. This can be described best by an example.

Consider the test methods for the shock isolator subsystem. The six requirements are

- a) Determine isolator characteristics (static)
- b) Determine isolator characteristics (dynamic)
- c) Determine strains in isolator elements
- d) Determine response of simulated mass
- e) Determine acceleration response of simulated mass
- f) Determine shock spectra of simulated mass (i.e., response of spring-mass elements attached to simulated mass).

Test methods are selected which satisfy one or more of the above requirements as follows:

- 1) Static pull and compression test
- 2) Dynamic pull and compression test
- 3) Total displacement, quick release, twang test
- 4) Impact shock test
- 5) Total displacement shock test.

Test method 1 will determine static load displacement behavior, requirement A. Test method 2 will determine dynamic load displacement characteristics, requirement B. Test methods 3 and 5 will satisfy requirements C through F to varying degrees, and test method 4 will satisfy requirements E and F. The simplest combination and least sophisticated are test methods 1, 2, and 3, which satisfy all requirements; therefore, this would be option 1. The twang test does not provide an input ground motion simulation of the initial rise of the velocity pulse; the low-frequency residual motion only is simulated.

Consequently, an additional impact shock test will improve the test combination, especially for requirements E and F; test methods 1, 2, 3, and 4 become option 2. Test method 5 is an alternate, more sophisticated method for producing a simulated ground shock input to the isolator; this, in combination with methods 1 and 2, will satisfy all six requirements, giving a third option for consideration as a test concept.

### 5.3 SIMULATION TECHNIQUES

Simulation techniques which satisfy the selected test methods are now chosen and evaluated against the test requirements. The simulation technique may be an in-plant, laboratory, or field test and is so noted in the evaluation. Each chosen technique is subjectively assessed for factors which are used to rate the techniques in the combination options. The factors are

- a) Degree to which simulation technique reproduces critical nuclear weapons effect
- b) Test article size which can be tested
- c) Is complex analysis required in conjunction with the test technique?
- d) Past performance record
- e) Cost.

Figure 5-1 is the standard form used to subjectively evaluate the simulation techniques. Section 4 of Volume III has a catalog of simulation techniques that includes a general listing of test techniques that are state-of-the-art techniques considered applicable for the proposed Hardness Demonstration Test Plan. In-plant tests also are considered from experience on Minuteman systems (specifically The Boeing Company in-plant capability) which are not reflected in the catalog. These in-plant tests are believed to be within the capability of almost any qualified integration contractor.

### 5.4 RATING SYSTEM

A simple quantitative rating system is used to assign a validity to a simulation technique against the selected requirements. The validity consists of three parts:

SUBSYSTEM
INPUT
TEST METHOD
SIMULATION TECHNIQUE
1. To what degree does this technique simulate the required input magnitude?
2. Can all of the input characteristics be simulated?
3. Can a specimen in size be tested in this facility?
4. Is validity of the test a function of specimen size or input magnitude?
5. Can the input and response be measured accurately?
6. Are complex analytical techniques required in conjunction with this test technique?
7. Past performance record:
8. What is the approximate cost?
9. Availability:

Figure 5-1. Evaluation of Simulation Techniques

- a) Degree input simulates weapons effect
- b) Degree test article simulates operational configuration
- c) Past performance record.

The input simulation (a) is in reference to one of the specific critical loads from the postulated nuclear event, i.e., air blast, nuclear radiation, thermal radiation, EMP, and ground motion. The ability of the test to simulate both the peak magnitudes as well as the time-history characteristics is investigated. The sensitivity of the test article to a particular characteristic of the load also is considered. For example, if the test article is a high-frequency system, the peak pressure or rise to peak velocity will be the important characteristic of the true input function which should be simulated in the test.

The validity factor (b) is concerned with the capability of the simulation technique to test a full-scale test article. This is a principal factor in rating existing laboratory test simulation techniques wherein the geometry and weight of test articles are the limiting factors. Article size will also depend on load magnitude, especially in shock and dynamic pressure tests. For example, high pressure and high shock levels can only be obtained on small-scale articles in most of the laboratory test facilities.

Past performance record, validity factor (c), is concerned with the actual test performance relative to the required performance and the repeatability experience with the simulation technique. Obviously, a simulation technique which has been used with repeated success would be a preferred technique for testing of development or prototype hardware. The probability of satisfying the test objectives within a specified schedule would be greater for a simulation technique with a past performance record.

The summation of the above factors (a) through (c) provides a resultant validity for relative comparison of simulation techniques. A number from zero to three is given to each validity factor with the following meanings:

- 3 Good
- 2 Average
- 1 Poor

Therefore, a simulation technique or group of simulation techniques with a large resultant validity number will indicate a preferred test concept. This resultant validity can only be interpreted as a relative rating and does not provide a basis for evaluating the absolute validity of the test method in comparison with the actual critical nuclear effect. A subjective comment will be necessary at the conclusion of each recommended test concept to indicate the estimated absolute validity.

The cost of the simulation technique is also considered in conjunction with the resultant validity number. The cost is also a reflection of the complexity of the test, pretest, and post test analyses and time period to perform the test. The rating number used is, again, a relative number since a very thorough investigation would be necessary to arrive at absolute costs. The following orders of magnitudes were used in this study:

- $1 \le $100,000$
- 2 \le \$200,000

and the reliability of these costs only has some credibility in a relative manner.

The two resulting numbers for validity and cost are then used to support the judgment for selecting a test concept. The step-by-step procedure is demonstrated in Subsection 5.6.

# 5.5 RECOMMENDED TEST CONCEPT

The recommended test concept is a test or a group of tests which provides a number of loading conditions to satisfy the test requirements with a preferred validity and low relative cost rating. A test concept for a particular subsystem or system is not independent of the test concepts at levels below or above the system considered. The test concept is recommended at each level with the knowledge that this test concept may be one of a series of tests as the system is built up from the smallest subsystem to the complete facility.

# 5.6 PROCEDURE, TEST CONCEPT TRADEOFF ANALYSIS

The steps described in Subsections 5.1 through 5.5 are performed for each subsystem and combinations (see Sections 2 and 4), starting at the lowest level and working up to the complete facility. A test concept tradeoff matrix is used to perform this analysis, and the step-by-step procedure is demonstrated in Figures 5-2 through 5-6. Explanatory notes are given on the figures which summarize the methodology at each step, and supporting discussions are in Subsections 5.1 through 5.5.

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## 6. TEST CONCEPT FLOW DIAGRAM

The recommended test concepts developed in the test requirements analysis as described in Section 5 are summarized on a test concept flow diagram. Here again the concepts are presented in a systematic manner to account for each system element at each system level.

## 6.1 TEST CONCEPT FLOW DEVELOPMENT

Construction of the flow diagram begins by listing all of the Level 4 system elements in their numerical order vertically at the left of the chart. Each of the elements will then be followed (to the right of the chart) by either a block or a series of blocks, each representing a recommended test or a notation that testing is not recommended. Each test block contains the title of the test, where the test should be performed (laboratory, in-plant, etc.), the simulation technique to be employed, and a reference number relating to the system element.

As the flow is constructed from left to right, the recommended test concepts developed in the test requirements analysis are added at each system level. System Level 4 elements are shown first, then the combinations of System Level 4 elements, then System Level 3 elements, then combinations of System Level 3 elements, and so on up through System Level 1. The completed flow (see Figure 6-1) presents the complete spectrum of test concepts that are recommended to assure hardness of the system. Total system hardness can only be demonstrated through the implementation of the complete spectrum of recommended testing. Under the basic philosophy adopted for this study, the In-Place Hardness Demonstration Test Program can then be defined as the sum of all Level 4 subsystem tests plus Level 3 system tests plus Level 2 major systems tests plus Level 1 facility tests. No single block may be deleted without disturbing the validity and/or completeness of the test program. The test concepts must be re-evaluated and redeveloped where necessary to assure accomplishment of all test requirements.

# 6.2 COMBINATION OF RECOMMENDED TEST CONCEPTS

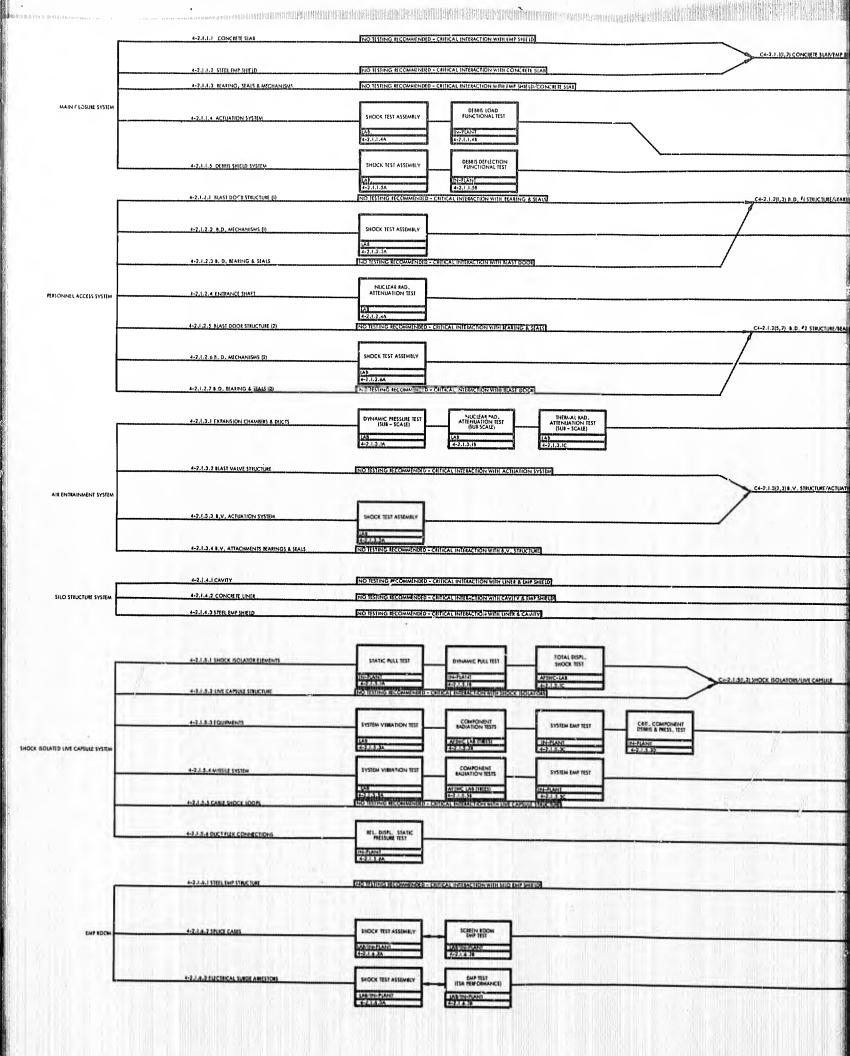
As can be expected, many of the test blocks on the flow diagram may utilize the same type of simulation technique or test facility and are

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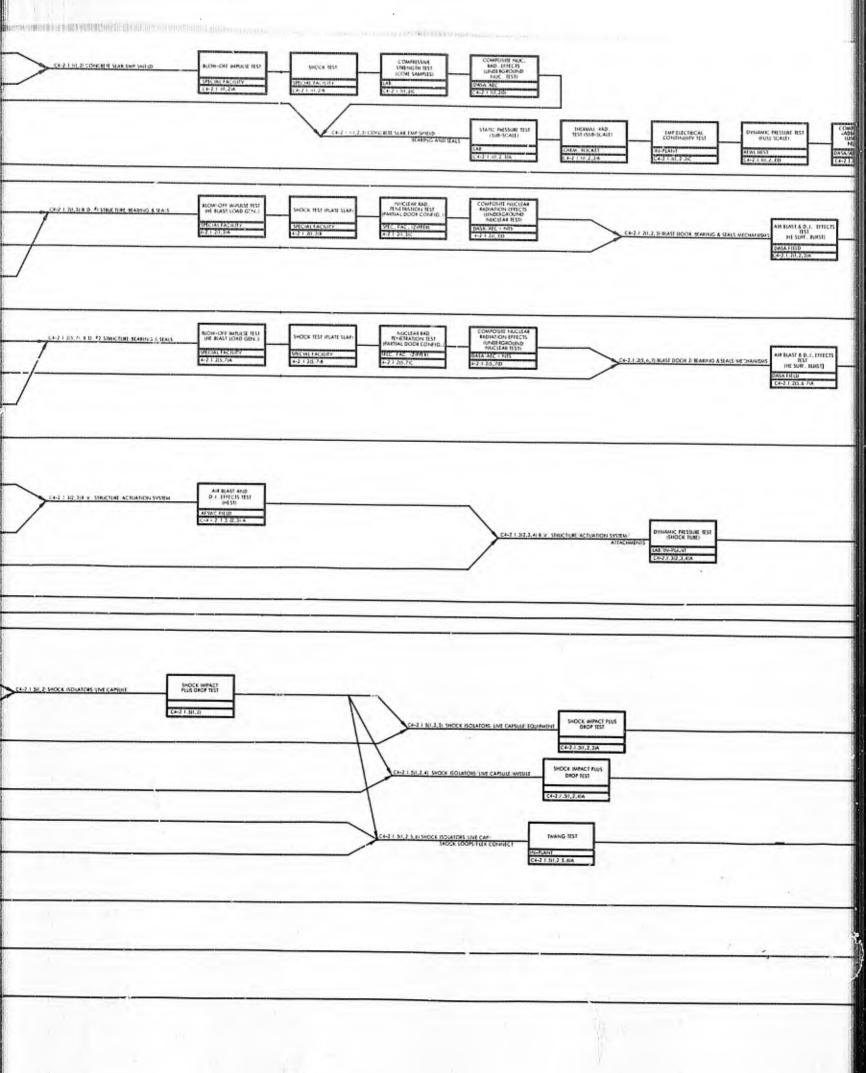
The reorientation and combination of the test concept blocks from the test concept flow diagram into a more efficient, cost-effective test program is a test planning task and is not included in the test requirements analysis (see 6.3 below). An example would be test concept blocks 4-2.1.1.4B, Main Closure Actuation System Debris Load Functional Test, and 4-2.1.1.5B, Main Closure Debris Shield Functional Test, from Figure 6-1 which can readily be combined and conducted at a common test facility. (In fact, the facility utilized by these tests probably will have been constructed for other system development tests as well.) The object is to retain all of the test requirements developed in the test requirements analysis while limiting the number of test facilities by optimizing the utilization of the test facilities or simulation techniques.

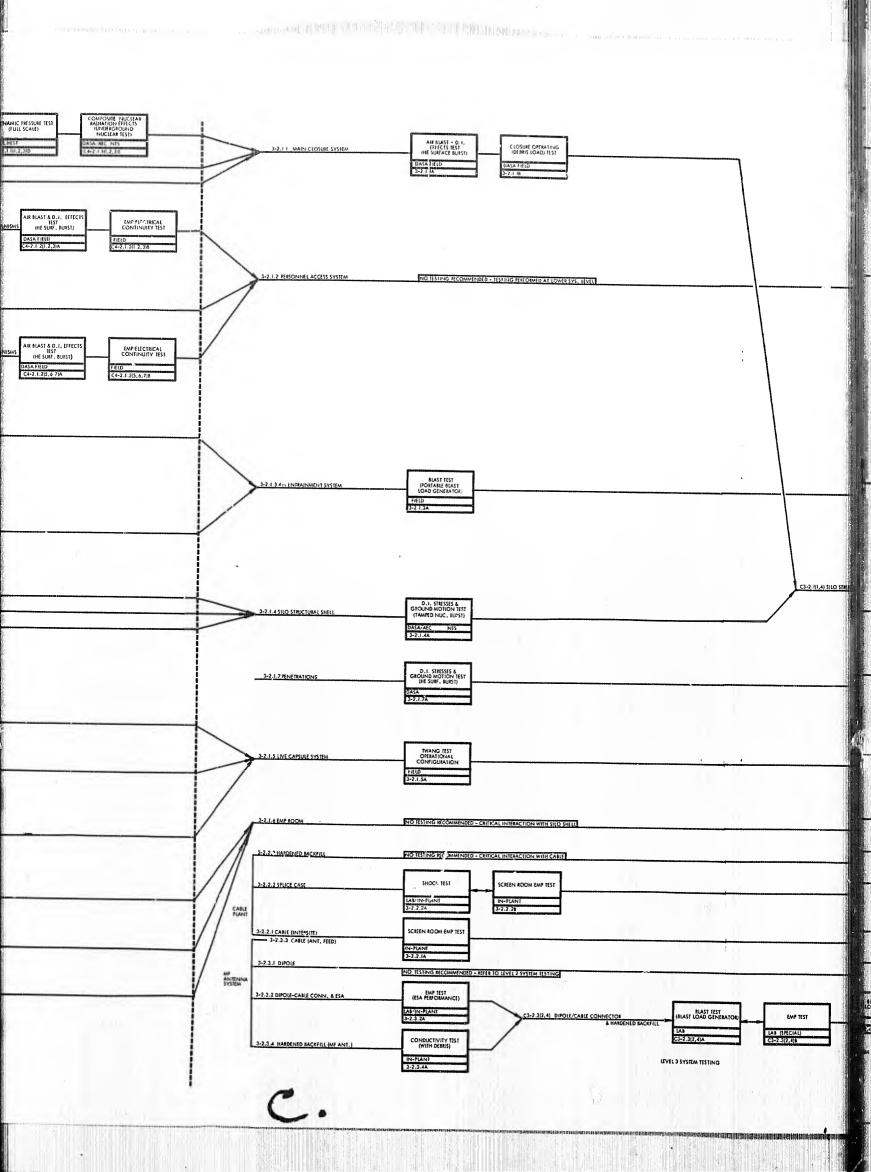
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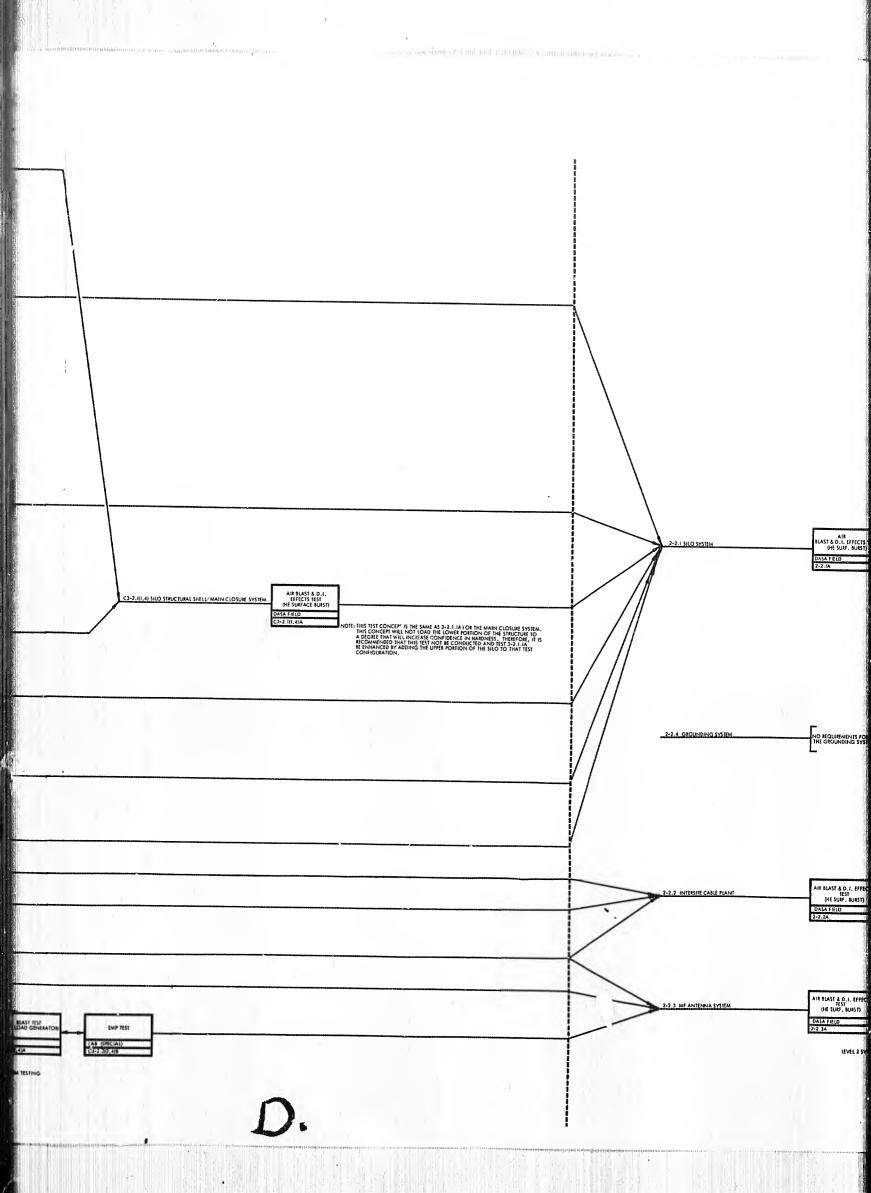
The test planning activity converts the recommended test concepts into a definitized series of tests phased to a system development schedule to provide the most efficient and timely evaluation of the system for in-place hardness. The result is a test program plan of the type submitted as Volume IV of this technical report.

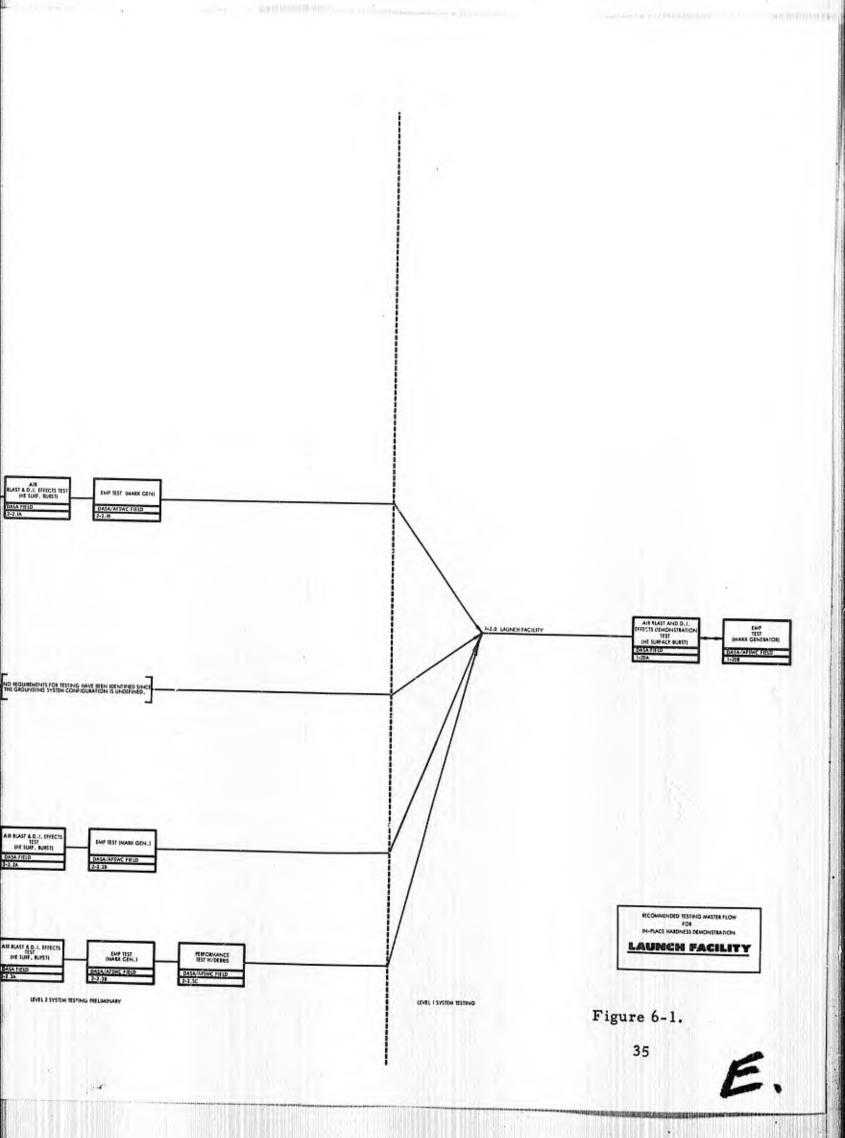












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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

AEC Atomic Energy Commission AES Air Entrainment System AFSWC Air Force Special Weapons Center AFWL Air Force Weapons Laboratory AGE Acrospace Ground Equipment AVE Aerospace Vehicle Equipment BY Blast Valve CBR Chemical, Biological, and Radiological CDR Critical Design Review CG Center of Gravity DASA Defense Atomic Support Agency DI Direct Induced Direct Induced High Explosive Simulation Technique DIHEST DOD Department of Defence EC Equipment Capsule ECU Environmental Control Unit E-M Electric and Magnetic EMP Electromagnetic Pulse ERDL Engineering Research and Development Laboratories ESA **Electrical Surge Arrestor** FAC Facility GTM Ground Test Missile HE High Explosive HEST High Explosive Simulation Technique HET High Explosive Test HF High Frequency HPT Hardness Proof Test HTRI IIT Research Institute LASL Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory LCF Launch Control Facility LF Launch Facility MC Main Closure

Medium Frequency

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## ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)

NEST Nuclear Explosive Shock Tube

NTS Nevada Test Site

NWSSG Nuclear Weapon System Safety Group

OGE Operating Ground Equipment

OP Operational

PC Personnel Capsule

PDR Preliminary Design Review

PSI Pounds per Square Inch

PTPD Preliminary Test Development Plan

RF Radio Frequency

SAC Strategic Air Command

SAMSO Space and Missile Systems Operation

SI Shock Isolator

SOR System Operational Requirement

SOW Statement of Work

SPUD Synthetic Pulse Diagnosis

TRA Test Requirements Analysis

TREES Transient Radiation Effects, Electronics System

TSE Test Support Equipment

UHF Ultra High Frequency

WES Waterways Experiment Station

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This study has developed a test program plan for demonstrating the in-place hardness of an advanced ballistic missile weapon system. A test requirements analysis methodology was devised, utilizing a systems approach, to examine a WS-120A system baseline design with respect to a given weapons effect environment criteria, define the testing required to assure hardness of each system element, trade off applicable simulation techniques, and recommend a series of test concepts. These concepts were then logically combined into efficient and cost-effective in-place hardness demonstration test programs for the launch facility and launch control facility.

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